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1. HOME MINISTRY HAS ANNOUNCED THAT MONTHLY "AIR DEFENSE DRILL DAY" HAS BEEN REDESIGNATED "CIVIL DEFENSE DAY." MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID CIVIL DEFENSE DRILLS WILL NOW BE CONDUCTED "UNDER SIMULATED WAR CONDITIONS."

2. FIRST DRILLS UNDER NEW DESIGNATION TOOK PLACE JUNE 16. IN ADDITION TO AIR RAID DRILL, EXERCISES INCLUDED SIMULATED FIRE FIGHTING AND RESCUE OPERATIONS IN GOVERNMENT OFFICE BUILDINGS. EXERCISES WERE MORE EXTENSIVE THAN HAS BEEN CASE FOR PAST SEVERAL YEARS, AND MEDIA PUBLICIZED DRILLS EXTENSIVELY DURING SEVERAL DAYS PRIOR TO JUNE 16.

3. PLANNED BLACKOUT EVENING JUNE 16 WAS CANCELLED (PLANS FOR BLACKOUT WERE NEVER PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED). EMBASSY POLICE SOURCE HAS TOLD US THAT NIGHT DRILL

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WAS CALLED OFF TO AVOID EXCESSIVELY ALARMING

POPULATION.

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